

AN ORDINANCE

Relating to Houses of Ill-Fame and Prostitution.

SECTION 1.—*Be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City:* That any person in this city,

First, Who either keeps a house of ill fame resorted to for the purpose of prostitution or lewdness; or wilfully resides in such house; or resorts thereto for lewdness;

Second, Who is the owner of any building or tenement, the whole or any part of which is used for any of the purposes mentioned in the first subdivision of this section; or has control of such building or tenement as agent, guardian, or lessee of such owner, or as the agent of such guardian or lessee, and after notice of such improper use of such building or tenement shall fail to suppress the same by removing therefrom the occupants thereof; or

Third, Who lets any building or tenement knowing that the lessee intends using the same, or any part thereof, for any of the purposes mentioned in the first subdivision of this section; or harbors or keeps about his or her private premises any whoremaster, strumpet or whore, knowing the same to be guilty of following a lewd course of life therein;

Shall be liable, for such offence, to a fine in any sum not exceeding ninety-nine dollars, or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding one hundred days; or to both such fine and imprisonment.

SEC. 2.—It shall be lawful, on the trial of any person charged with either of the offences named in the preceding section, for the prosecution to introduce in support of such charge, testimony of the general character and reputation of the person or place, touching the of fame or charge set forth in the complaint, and the defendant may likewise resort to testimony of a like nature for the purpose of disproving such charge.

SEC. 3.—In prosecutions under the second subdivision of Section one of this ordinance it shall be a sufficient defense if the defendant shows at the trial that he has diligently used the power which the law gives him to suppress the improper use of the building or tenement concerning which the charge is made.

SEC. 4.—That Chapter forty-four of the Revised Ordinances of Salt Lake City, passed July 20th, 1875, "Relating to Houses of Ill-fame and Prostitution," be, and the same is hereby repealed; *Provided,* that all offences heretofore committed in violation of any of the provisions of said Chapter forty-four of the Revised Ordinances of Salt Lake City hereby repealed, may be enquired into, prosecuted and punished the same as if this ordinance had not been passed.

Passed Dec. 18th, 1877.

FERAMORE LITTLE,
Mayor.

JOHN T. CAINE,
City Recorder.

Territory of Utah, }
Salt Lake City. } ss.

This certifies that the foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance Relating to Houses of Ill-fame and Prostitution," passed by the City Council of Salt Lake City, the 18th day of December, A. D. 1877, as appears of record in my office.



Witness my hand and the corporate seal of Salt Lake City, this 20th day of December, A. D., 1877.

JOHN T. CAINE,
City Recorder.